

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No. 10/803,506	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 1742
Filed: March 17, 2004	)	
	)	Examiner: Daniel J. Jenkins
For: HIGH PURITY COBALT, METHOD	)	
OF MANUFACTURING THEREOF,	)	
AND HIGH PURITY COBALT	)	
TARGETS	)	

Mail Stop Amendment  
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**RESPONSE TO AUGUST 31, 2006 NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2006.

Applicants respectfully request amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.